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MANPOWER AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION FEBRUARY 4-5, AND OTHER
MATTERS

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1. DURING MEETING JANUARY 26 COORDINATED AGENDA FOR SUBJECT
MEETING ARRIVED AT WHICH FOLLOWS IRANIAN-PROPOSED AGENDA
(REF A) WITH FOLLOWING CHANGES. POINTS FIVE AND SIX OF IRANIAN
DRAFT AGENDA TO BE REVERSED IN ORDER, I.E. POINT FIVE SHOULD
READ "ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL SCHOOLS" AND POINT SIX SHOULD
READ "ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRE FOR TRAINING INSTRUCTORS FOR
TECHNICAL SCHOOLS, SCHOOLS FOR RURAL VOCATIONS, AND SCHOOLS FOR
SERVICES". NEW ITEM INSERTED AS POINT SEVEN TO READ "EXCHANGE
OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS". SUBSEQUENT POINTS SHOULD BE RENUMBERED
EIGHT, NINE AND TEN.

2. PERHAPS MORE INDICATIVE OF SUBJECT MATTER IRANIANS WISH
DISCUSSED THAN HEADINGS OF AGENDA ITEMS THEMSELVES WERE
EXPLANATIONS GIVEN BY VAFA AND NASSERI ON JANUARY 26 AND 28
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TO WIT: IRANIANS HAVE CONCEPT OF THIS COMMITTEE AS CLEARING

HOUSE FOR ACQUISITION OF AMERICAN EXPERTS/PROFESSIONALS ACROSS THE BOARD, NOT SIMPLY THOSE TO ASSIST EMPLOYMENT SERVICE AND OTHER PROGRAMS OF MINISTRY OF LABOR. IRANIANS WILL PRESENT "SHOPPING LIST" OF CRITICAL MANPOWER NEEDS RANGING FROM PETROCHEMICAL ENGINEERS AND DOCTORS TO ELECTRONICS SPECIALISTS AND HOPES U.S. SIDE WILL BE READY TO RESPOND WITH MATCHING LIST OF SURPLUS LABOR CATEGORIES IN U.S. WE PERCEIVE SOME PROBLEMS IN IRANIANS' "HORIZONTAL CONCEPT" OF DISCUSSIONS IN THIS COMMITTEE ON OVERALL MANPOWER NEEDS IN THAT THIS MAY CUT ACROSS LINES AND AGENDAS OF OTHER JOINT COMMISSION COMMITTEES. ON JANUARY 26 VAFA DEMURRED ON QUESTION OF WORKING CONDITIONS, PRIVILEGES, AND IMMUNITIES OF AMERICAN BROUGHT TO IRAN UNDER AUSPICES OF JOINT COMMISSION. DRAFT TECHNICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT COVERING THIS TOPIC NOW UNDER STUDY BY IRANIAN SIDE (SEE REF E).

3. RE INQUIRY PARA TWO REF D, NASSERI'S VIEWS ON MAIN THRUST OF IRANIAN PRIORITIES CONFIRMED BY VAFA ALTHOUGH IT CLEAR THAT FULL GOI COORDINATION HAD NOT BEEN OBTAINED AT TIME OF REF C EXPOSITION BY NASSERI AND IN FACT IS STILL GOING ON AS OF THIS MOMENT. NASSERI BELIEVES THAT NEXT FEW HOURS WILL BRING GOI DECISION ON WHETHER REPRESENTATIVE FROM MINISTRY OF SOCIAL WELFARE IS INCLUDED ON DELEGATION OR NOT. HE DOUBTS IT. IF MINISTRY OF SOCIAL WELFARE REP IS ADDED, NASSERI STATES THAT UNDER POINT SEVEN OF AGENDA, SOME DISCUSSION MAY BE HAD ON RECRUITMENT OF AMERICAN SPECIALISTS IN PUBLIC HEALTH BUT NOT REPEAT NOT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO SOCIAL INSURANCE ORGANIZATION. VAFA AND NASSERI EXPRESSED TOTAL AGREEMENT WITH REF D. ALTERNATE PROPOSAL THAT UNDERSECRETARY SCHUBERT BE U.S. CO-CHAIRMAN. NASSERI, HOWEVER, STATED THAT FOR ANY SESSIONS OF COMMITTEE FROM WHICH UNDERSECRETARY SCHUBERT OBLIGED ABSENT HIMSELF, IRANIANS WOULD HAVE NUMBER TWO DELEGATE ACT AS CO-CHAIRMAN.

4. COMPOSITION OF IRANIAN DELEGATION AS OF THIS OUR NOT 100 PERCENT FIXED BUT OTHER THAN NASSERI THERE WILL CERTAINLY BE REPRESENTATIVES FROM PLAN ORGANIZATION (PROBABLY MOINZADEH) AND MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND FINANCE. OTHER DELEGATES MAY BE FROM MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION OR MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. SEE ABOVE PARA RE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL WELFARE. DELEGATION WILL CONSIST, AT MINIMUM, OF FOUR MEMBERS AND MAXIMUM OF NINE.
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5. IN MEANTIME DR. VAFA HAS URGENTLY REQUESTED NAMES, POSITION TITLES, AND SPECIALTIES OF U.S. MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE. PLEASE FURNISH THIS INFORMATION BY OPENING OF BUSINESS LOCAL TIME JANUARY 29.
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